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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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NOTE PREPARED: Mar 1, 2006
BILL NUMBER: SB 151

BILL AMENDED: Jan 31, 2006

SUBJECT: Child Care Regulation.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Lawson C BILL STATUS: As Passed House

FIRST SPONSOR: Rep. Turner

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State

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<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> (Amended) This bill specifies that a licensed child care provider is considered to be in compliance with requirements for federal Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) voucher payments. The bill amends drug testing requirements for CCDF providers, child care homes, and child care centers. It makes child care ministry inspections semiannual and as necessary, but not more than four inspections per ministry per year.

Effective Date: Upon passage; July 1, 2006.

Explanation of State Expenditures: *Inspection of Child Care Ministries*: The bill amends current law which requires the Division of Family Resources (DFR) to inspect a child care ministry quarterly. Under the bill, the DFR would be required to inspect child care ministries semiannually and more often as determined necessary by the DFR, as opposed to quarterly. In addition, the DFR would be restricted to four inspections per year per child care ministry. As proposed, the bill would likely reduce overall workload for licensing/registering staff (see *Background Information*). However, actual reductions are dependent on the number of ministries which are inspected two or three times per year, as opposed to the four which are required under current law.

Background Information: During FFY 2005, there were 765 registered ministries in the state of Indiana, and there were 747 in FFY 2004. Registering staff are also responsible for licensing child care facilities. Child care ministries represented 14% of the total number of providers licensed and registered in FFY 2005.

Explanation of State Revenues:

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Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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State Agencies Affected: Family and Social Services Administration.

Local Agencies Affected:

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